Marked up version of Claims

15. (Twice amended) A method of making a transfer capable of applying one- or multi-colored patterns to textiles under heat and pressure, [wherein the transfer comprises a carrier sheet having a non-binding surface,] the method comprising the steps of:

providing a carrier sheet having a non-binding surface;

printing a one- or multi-colored pattern on the carrier sheet using a colorant composition adapted for use in a digitally controlled color printer, said printing being carried out in a single digitally controlled color printing step;

configuratively printing on top of said pattern a transparent or white-pigmented elastomer polymer layer capable of forming a hardened homogeneous unit with said colorant composition in the one- or multi-colored pattern, said elastomer polymer having a [high] plasticizing point that is above the envisioned application temperature of the final transfer [on top of the pattern]; and

configuratively printing a heat-activatable thermoplastic polymeric glue layer on top of the transparent or white-pigmented elastomer layer or, while the elastomer layer is still wet, sprinkling a heat-activatable hot melt granulate on said elastomer layer.

18. (Amended) The method of claim 15, wherein [the step of applying the] said transparent elastomer polymer layer [comprises applying the transparent elastomer layer] is applied in the form of an organic solution of a[n elastomer] polyurethane [having a high plasticizing point].

19. (Amended) The method of claim 15, wherein [the step of applying the] said white elastomer polymer layer [comprises applying the white elastomer layer] is applied in the form of an organic solution of a[n elastomer] polyurethane [having a high plasticizing point] which is pigmented with a white inorganic pigment.

20. (Amended) The method of claim 15, wherein [the step of applying the] said transparent elastomer polymer layer [comprises applying the transparent elastomer layer] is

applied in the form of an aqueous solution of a[n elastomer] polyurethane [having a high plasticizing point].

21. (Amended) The method of claim 15, wherein [the step of applying the] said white elastomer polymer layer [comprises applying the white elastomer layer] is applied in the form of an aqueous solution of a[n elastomer] polyurethane [having a high plasticizing point] which is pigmented with a white inorganic pigment.

22. (Twice amended) The method of claim 15, wherein [the step of applying the] said glue layer [comprises applying the glue layer] is applied in the form of an organic solution of polyurethane thermoplastics having a plasticizing point in the range 120-160 °C in which a [fine] hot melt powder of copolyamide or high density polyethylene having a melting point of 100-140 °C is dispersed in the ratio 1:1.

23. (Twice amended) The method of claim 15, wherein [the step of applying the] said glue layer [comprises applying the glue layer] is applied in the form of an aqueous solution of polyurethane thermoplastics having a plasticizing point in the range 120-160 °C in which a [fine] hot melt powder of copolyamide or high density polyethylene having a melting point of 100-140 °C is dispersed in the ratio 1:1.

26. (Amended) A textile product on which a one- or multi-colored pattern is attached by application of heat and pressure from a transfer [according to claim 1] prepared by the method of claim 15.

68. (Amended) The method of claim 15, wherein the elas[y]tomer polymer layer comprises a linear, fully reacted polyurethane on the basis of polyester.

69. (New) The method of claim 15 wherein said one- or multi-colored pattern is printed on the carrier sheet by means of a digitally controlled dry electrostatic color toner printer using thermoplastic powder color toners.

70. (New) The method of claim 15 wherein said one- or multi-colored pattern is printed on the carrier sheet by means of a digitally controlled thermotransfer color printer using thermoplastic color toners.

71. (New) The method of claim 15 wherein said one- or multi-colored pattern is printed on the carrier sheet by means of a digitally controlled ink jet printer using liquid dye.

72. (New) The method of claim 15, wherein said digitally controlled printing step prints a multi-colored pattern.

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